TOWN OF LEVAN

DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

20 North Main, P.O. Box 40, Levan, Ut. 84639 Phone (435) 623-1959

To:

State of Utah

9 January, 2003

Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining

From: The Town of Levan, Utah, 84639

Dear Sirs,

This letter is in response to the legal notice put in the Times-News dated 11 December 2002 concerning "the matter of tentative decision to approve a large and reclamation plan for the H.E. Davis construction, Inc. Levan Gypsum Mine, Juab County Utah"

This to officially inform you that the Town of Levan passed a resolution on the 8th of January, 2003 protesting the truck traffic going through the town because of safety, dust, road damage and also the noise of the blasting. Any additional truck traffic would only increase the present problems. It is felt that the truck traffic needs to be re-routed outside of the city limits of the town.

We are also concerned that there may be some damage to the culinary springs for Levan that run under the mine site.

Pictures and letters of protest are being sent along with this letter.

Sincerely,

Robert Shepard, Mayor

Graham Misbach, Clerk-Recorder

January 8, 2003

To whom it may concern;

We, as concerned citizens of Levan Town, are opposed to the increased truck traffic that will be coming down the canyon lane if more gypsum is hauled out of the mine. Living only 1/2 block away from the intersection where the trucks travel we see how many trucks go back and forth along the road. For the safety of the children and the citizens of Levan we think the trucks should be routed a different way. The canyon lane and the road from 5th East to the highway, is too narrow to accomodate the heavy truck traffic that will be traveling up and down that road. The amount of trucks that travel the road now are too many. The noise and dust that the trucks make as they travel through town would increase and that is something that we do not want.

Steven and Gayle Peterson

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January 9, 2003

To the members of the Levan Town Council,

As residents of Levan, and homeowners on 100 south, we are greatly concerned about the proposed increase in trucks traveling on our street. Our concerns are as follows; Community safety, i.e. loaded trucks cannot brake as fast for traffic and pedestrians, and as there are only yeild signs crossing over 100 south, this can be very dangerous. There is no sidewalk so pedestrian traffic also uses the roa. Even in cold weather, we see many walkers, runners, children, using 100 south as a walking path. This traffic increases greatly in warm weather. 100 south is too narrow for large trucks to pass one another. Our water supply is directly below mining activity. What guarantee do we have that activiity will not contaminate or disrupt our drinking water? Traffic in the canyon will make it difficult, almost impossible, to drive up, as trucks will be waiting to load. The dust from the trucks is terrible, in our home and also in the canyon. The blasting rattles our home occasionally and is annoying. Watershed is disrupted and causes a great deal of white silt to run into the stream bed each time it rains

Please take our concerns into consideration. We love our quiet little town, and moved here to enjoy the peaceful way of life Levan has always offered.

Sincerely,

Mike and Karen Kramer Hile thank

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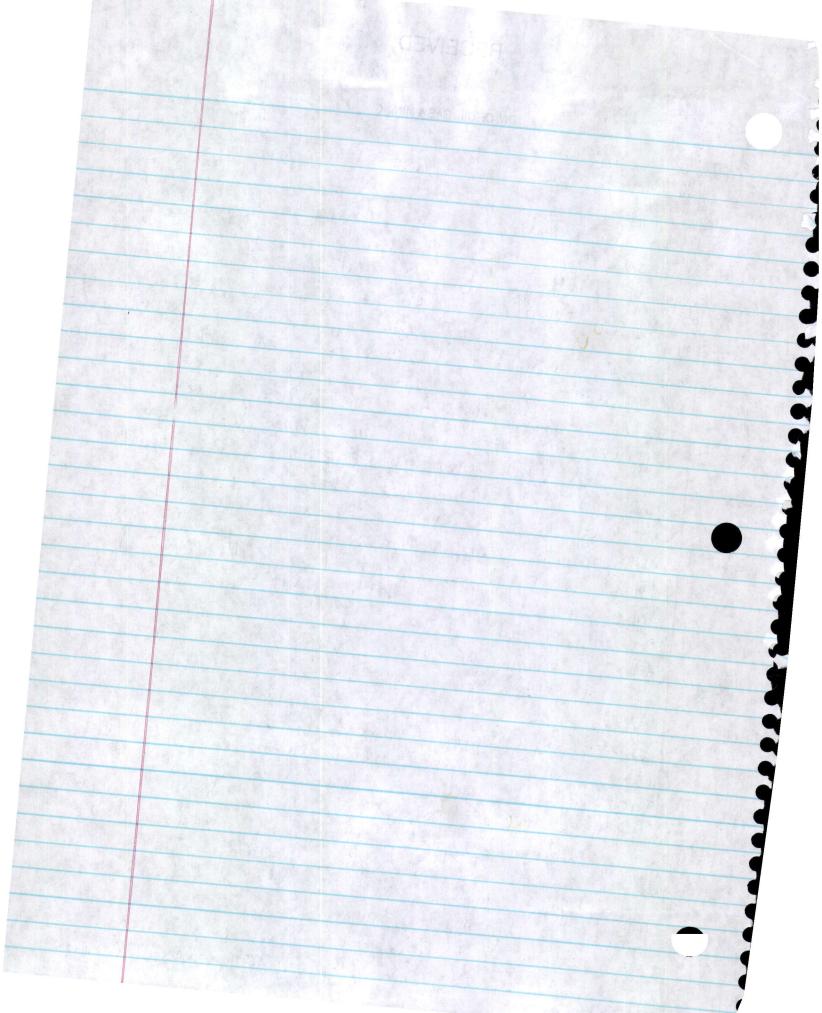
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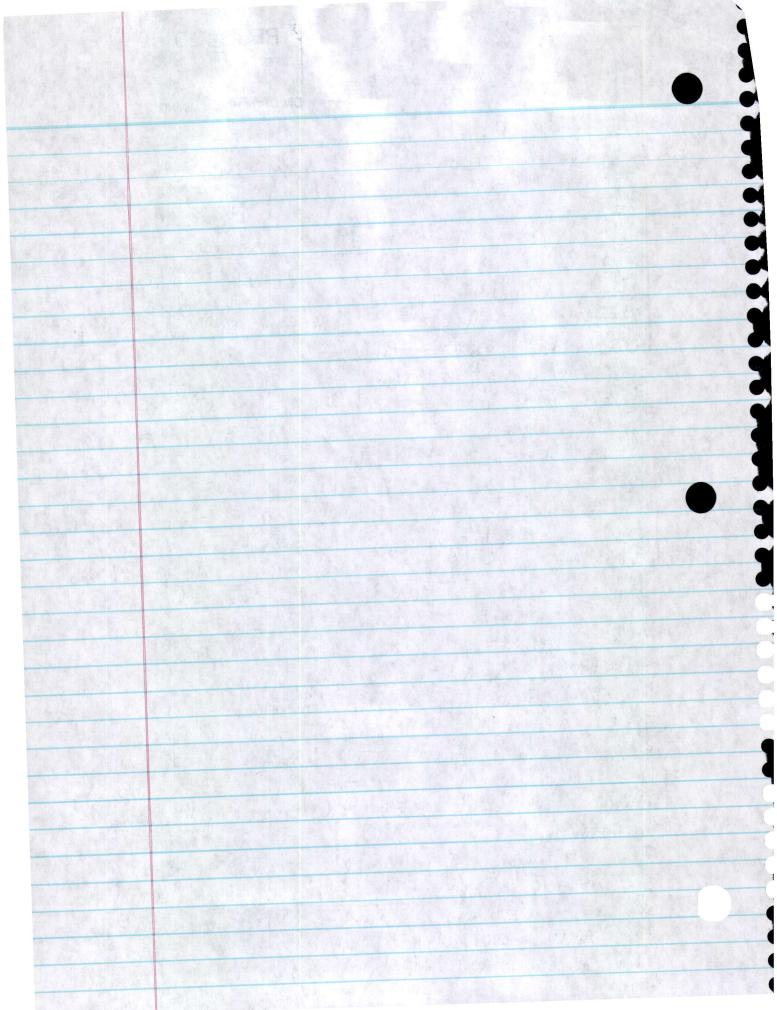
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5:00 Am from trucks rumbling by my home doing about 45 to 50 miles an hour of have a stop sign on the corner of 5th East and 1st South that you think they would respect that it does say "STOP" but they blow through it and down think think think there are twice. all someone was out at that time in the morning they would get plowed over becaused they don't even break at all. They will run that stop sign til about 8 to 8:30 in the morning.

What is this doing for our canyons?

elt is distroying it. I am very concerned about my children driving or walking up the lane and also at the mouth of the canyon. There is alot of people that use the lane for walking. People shouldn't have to worry about those bouldn't have to worry about those trucks plowing over them. I have leved on this corner for 18 years. I am very pad to think that our freedon would be taken away it we allow these trucks to travel through the answer to all this traffic it would be an alternate route around town. It would be best for everyone even the drivers of the trucks.

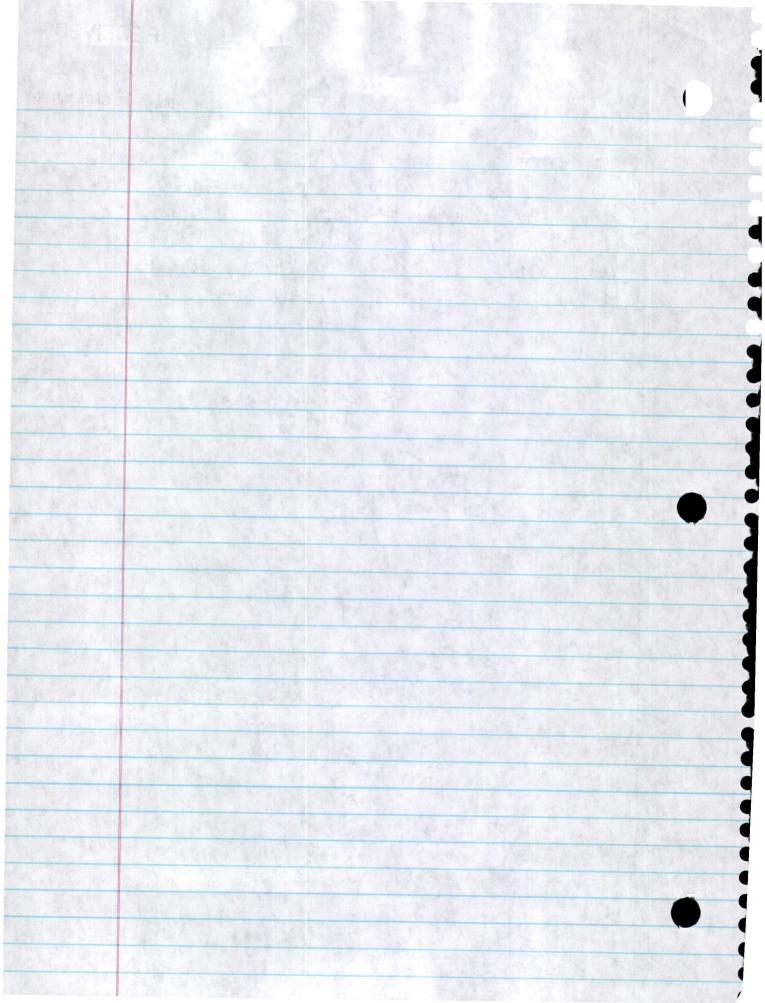


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can prevent something traggic from happening. Please consider an alternate route around town like Bob Steele was suppose to do in the first place.

Sincerly, Ronda J. Ballow Thory T. Ballow Travis T. Ballow Turell Ballow



January 6, 2003

To whom it may concern:

The dust from the Chicken Creek Gypsum Mine covers the mountains east of Levan and can be seen at anytime during the summer months. The trucks hauling the gypsum pass by my home. My house is covered with dust and I cannot keep it clean now with just a few trucks passing each day. What will it be like when multiple trucks pass each day? They do not control the dust and dirt at all. We installed black top last summer, and with the road not being wide enough for the trucks and another vehicle to pass, it has created large potholes in front of my home. Every time a truck hits them they leave a lot of dust and rocks on the road. I have bad lung problems and with all of this dust and have problems being outside in the summer. There are several intersections on this road which oncoming traffic is hard to see and there is little time to react to avoid accidents. There are no stop signs on these intersections and many farmers and others use these cross streets. A lot of our town's people use this canyon for camping, walking, snowmobiling and 4 wheeling. Also, there are many children that live on this road, which will be another hazard for the trucks to avoid. Levan is a residential area, not an industrial park.

A truck route should be made for this mining operation. Other towns have truck routes, why shouldn't Levan have one? We feel strongly that it would benefit our whole community for the trucks to go around the town instead of through it. Why should we give up our way of life so someone out of our community can make money? Levan gets nothing out of this except inconvenience. They should also have to meet air quality control so our canyon trees and vegetation is not covered with white dust.

Concerned Citizen

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To Mary Ann Wright and/or other parties it may concern,

I am writing this letter in concern about the notice #M/023/016 in the Times-News paper on Dec. 11, 2002. I am opposed to the mine being enlarged. It will directly affect the air quality of the area. The impact on existing open irrigation water sources and on springs that provide culinary water to the town could be devastating. Wild life such as deer, bobcats, wild turkeys and cougars will also feel the impact on their habitat.

The existing road being used by current mining trucks goes right through the town of Levan. The road barely allows 2 normal size vehicles to pass one another. Larger vehicles result in one of the drivers being pushed from the pavement. The traffic increase already causes problems for children trying to commute between friends homes or community activities. Unless careful controls and a new route to the mining area are put into place and used, this is not a good plan of action.

Sincerely, B. Anduron

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January 8, 2003

Hello,

I am very concerned about the mining proposal that has to do with the mine on the mountainside just East of Levan. My home is less than one mile from this mine and so what happens there affects me very much. We moved to Levan four years ago when the scar on the mountain, which can be seen for miles around, was rather small. I have watched with a sick feeling in my stomach as the scar has grown. The increased mining activity will greatly increase the scar and very likely lower my property value. The beauty of the mountains behind my home are the main reason I bought this home.

I have also become very uncomfortable with the semi trucks driving through town on the narrow road and then past my home on the way to the canyon. I have seven children who ride bikes and walk on that road every day. Aside from the children even I have to almost pull off the road when driving to allow these trucks to pass-and this in a "quiet neighborhood" in Levan. Already the truck traffic is unacceptable, to increase it will greatly increase the risk to my children and all the other children who use that road daily. To increase the traffic on this road, which I believe will happen if this proposal goes into effect, will lead to a tragedy.

I understand they want to create bigger explosions as a part of increasing their mining activities. My home and the entire town of Levan is only one mile from the mining site. I, for one, do not want the peace of our country town ruined by large explosions near-by.

I ask that this mining company not be allowed to put my children in danger and lower the quality of life for those in Levan in order to support their bottom line.

Sincerely,

Tory Anderson 175 S. 500. E. Levan, Ut.



To herran Journ Council I write this letter in behalf Ho Lovan because of its rural adriantages, My family has enjoyed horseliackriding, walking moving farm equiptment, and riding lucycles, With this gypseim operation all of these activities enjoyed will be jeopardised and will have to come to an end, Also, it will but Children in danger that ride the school lius and with this program I believe the operation well put our children in danger because of the added trucks traveling through town. Thank You Denise Brooks
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Attention- Levan Town Council;

This letter is to express the growing concern over the road 100 South that travels east to west through the town of Levan. This road is greatly misused in a residential area. The speed, excessive weight and size of the vehicles traveling through this residential area is hazardous. Also from 100 South, east to the canyon has always been a recreational path. As a family we utilize this road for jogging, biking and four wheeling. This is becoming an obsolete path, due to the constant travel and speed of diesels and employee vehicles heading to the mine as early as 6 a.m. The truck drivers except for one, drive at an excessive speed to reach their destination and take no thought to the pedestrians on their course of travel. There have been times when we have been nearly hit, had rocks thrown at us and have been left in a cloud of dust and dirt. Expansion of the second mine has completely ruined the main access road through the canyon, making it muddy and unsafe for public travel, which scares away the public for recreational use. There is also an issue of noise that comes from the travel of so many trucks and vehicles. Why as citizens should we give up a recreational opportunity because a company will not look at additional routes. It is very often that the trucks do not even stop at the stop sign causing an un-safe intersection, and we have also found ourselves pulled to the side of 100 south because of the tight fit for residential vehicles and diesel to travel side by side.

The road starting at 500 east going east to the canyon was surfaced with rock a few months ago. I don't know the cost of this project, however it has left the road in worse condition than before, due to the increased travel by trucks in route to the mine. The road is full of pot holes, dips and wash boards, we thought there was concern and up keep in mind when the rock was laid, but it is easy to see now that is was just there to make us feel warm and fuzzy like someone cared, It is obvious that no one does. We hear that the County Commission cares for this town, but with the neglect to the roads and disregard for public safety, they shows otherwise.

It is our wish that Levan not be misused because we are lucky enough to have natural resource's at our footsteps. We have pride in our community and would hope that others would see our vision for the future, by choosing another route. One that does not endanger residents and destroy what is left of our town roads.

Sincerely

Stony & Stacy Brooks

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Home Phone (435) 623-0533

January 04, 2003

Mary Ann Wright/Associate Director of Mining Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1194 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801



DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Re: H. E. Davis Construction, Inc., Levan Gypsum Mine - expansion permit application.

Office of Mining:

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Levan City Council who as representatives of our community are taking a direct opposing position to the above permitee's application..

This mining project has all ready had an adverse effect and major impact upon our community and my family and home, a particular and personal interest to me.

We are a very small community easily impacted by the extreme nature of this operation and its proximity to the boundaries of our town. Just a few thousand feet from our home we have explosions, heavy equipment, earth moving, dust blowing, noise, and ugly scaring. We have huge double trailers with the largest of trucks pulling them through the residential streets of our community. Our families, our children and our grandchildren live on the street used by these monster trucks and trailers. They drive up and down the street every 15 or 20 minutes beginning much before dawn.

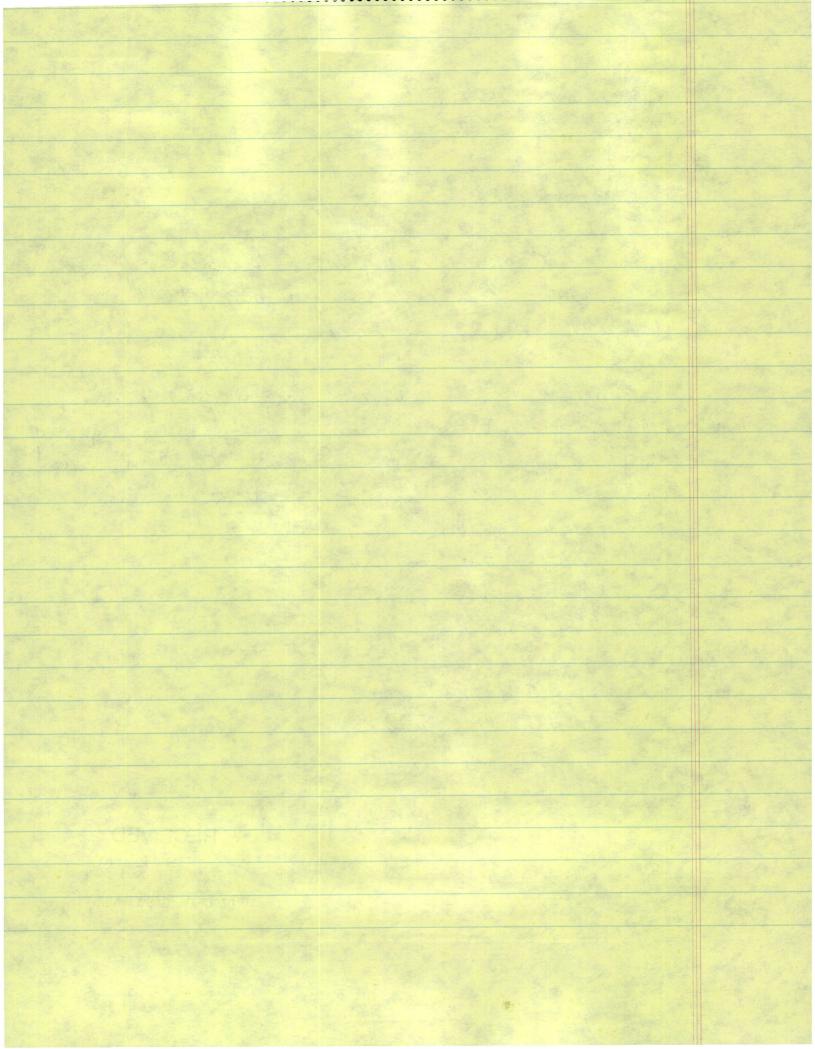
There are only a few intersections for the semitrucks and trailers to pass through. The trucks must stop with their loads as they pass our house. Many times they miscalculate their load and use the jake brake to assist their stopping. We have no sidewalks. Our children walk on the road. What could a truck do to stop for a child in the road.

How could you approve a permit with these conditions. What concessions do you expect us as residents and home owners to make for this operation. This is an extreme abuse. We ask respectfully that you carefully consider denial of this application and restore and retain the integrity and safety of our community, streets and boundaries.

Thomas & Carol 110 So 100 East PO Box 353 Levan, Ut 84639 To the Mayor of Lesan: I am writing this because I am concerned about the enlargement of the gypsum mine in Levan:

I live on the street (100 East) where all the trucks come past. They hardly ever slow down for the zgield Sign on our corner. Once Denen Went out & directed traffic so a little boy on a bike could go. If they wanttoenlarge the mine I think they need a new route for the trucks Sincerely Carol Mattinson

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Levan City Council

In response to the legal notice in the local paper dated Jan 1st 2003 concerning the mining operation near Levan by H. E. Davis company and others.

we encourage and support productive dialog between Juab county, Levan city, H.E.Davis company and other related parties.

Items of concern include, but not limited to ...

Traffic Flow
Water protection (city springs in the area)
Road damage (Juab county and Levan City)
Dust control
Safety issues and overall impact in general
...and other adverse conditions related to this new expansion.

We support new enterprise in this area and commend H.E.Davis company for past performance .

Micahel and Carolyn Royce 623-2122 box 503 Levan UTah 84639 Myrtis & Meril Stephenses

Mayor Bob Shepherd and Levan Town Council PO Box 40 Levan, Utah

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Council Members,

It has come to our attention that the traffic on First South in Levan may be subject to change by the increased travel of commercial semi-trucks hauling rock product out of Levan Canyon . We live on First South and Second East and as a family wish to voice our concern for the safety of the citizens in Levan that may be affected by the unlimited travel and increased numbers of semi-trucks up and down First South.

The economic impact of overuse by heavy trucks, cost of increased enforcement of weight and speed restrictions, safety of the children in Levan, and quality of peaceful sound atmosphere for homeowners in Levan has us greatly concerned.

At this time we offer no solutions, but as concerned citizens of Levan, where we live and intend to remain for years to come, we ask that you as elected officials address our concerns as well as your own, with whom ever has control over the hauling of product from the mines east of Levan.

We wish to thank you as our Mayor and Town Council for your service to our community and express our support to you in your further endeavors to keep Levan the wholesome attractive town that it is. Please notify us if we can lend support to you in your duties to address these issues regarding the travel of unrestricted semi- trucks on First South in Levan. Thank You!

Sincerely,

Fred and Julie Smalley family

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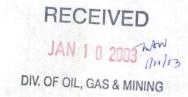
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This is to officially inform you that the Town of Levan is opposed to this reclamation plan. We would like the opportunity to voice our concerns on this project.

Sincerely,						
Robert Shepard	l, Mayor					
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Paul Mangelson	n, Councilman					
Ryan Aagard,	Councilman				/	
Ralph Brooks,	Councilman					
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To Whom It May Concern:

As concerned citizens of Levan we would like to protest the truck traffic from the Gypsum mine from the canyon, coming down 1st south.

We feel it is unsafe for the children living on that street, also, during the school year we have school buses picking up and unloading children on this street, they are not safe with so many trucks traveling up and down the street.

These streets were not built for such heavy loads, the town does not benefit from the trucks or the mine. It will be a great expense to the town to keep the roads in repair. Also the east breeze blowing dust into town is a health hazard.

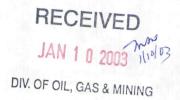
The owners of the mine and trucking company should build a road around the town, they are the only ones to benefit.

Yours truly,

George Kendall Marilyn Kendall



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The gypsum Mine at the mouth of Chicken Creek, east of the Town of Levan.

Bruce and Monique Rowley 78 South 100 East P.O. Box 114 Levan, Utah 84639

Dear Levan Town,

I am writing concerning the proposed enlargement of the gypsum mine in Levan. I am very concerned with this proposal. My family live on the 100 south (the road that all of these semi-trucks travel). I have five children. I would like to keep it that way.

Since the mining started I have seen too many close calls with children, bikes, and myself. I walk the road to the canyon almost everyday, and I would be extremely opposed to any more semi-truck traffic on this small country road. These trucks are a threat to our children! We have a yield sign on the corner of our property. The trucks very rarely are ever going slow enough through it that they could stop should they need to.

I am also concerned that Levan is becoming the dumping ground of Juab county. If we wanted to live in an industrial park, we would move to North Salt Lake. We live here for the rural lifestyle, not the industrial lifestyle!

At the very least if this company would like to enlarge its operation, they should be made to create an alternative route on the outside of town.

Sincerely.

Monique Rowley

A very concerned citizen and Mother!

Minique Bowley

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To Levan Town Council:

The large heavy truck traffic on 100 South in Levan from the gypsum mine to Highway 28 has gotten out of hand. This is a main route for anyone using the canyons', Pigeon Creek and Chicken Creek. Also the farmers and their equipment that own land along this route.

The blasting shakes our homes. The dust that comes out of the mine and off the trucks passing through is dirty and a health hazard.

Many of the large trucks and the employees going to and from work don't even stop for the stop sign on 5th East which creates a safety hazard to our residents and the school buses that cross 1st South at different times during the day. This is a town street, not a business highway.

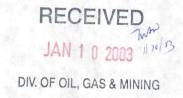
These issues and others are of great concern to us and we would appreciate your timely consideration.

Sincerely,

Sandra Brooks

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To Levan Town Council:

The tentative decision to approve the application of H. E Davis Construction, Inc.'s Levan Gypsum Mine to expand its operation to a much larger operation could have a very negative impact on the citizens of Levan and Levan Town Government.

This expansion will cause a great deal of dust to settle in the town of Levan and can cause health problems as well as cleanliness problems.

The streets of the town will have to bear very high traffic volume of extremely heavily laden trucks which will create a hazard to the children of the town as well as an increase in the likelihood of accidents with other traffic.

Increased traffic of trucks with the extremely heavy loads will cause the destruction of existing Levan Town roads. There doesn't seem to be any tax base to cover the repair or repavement of these streets.

Your consideration of these concerns would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Edward B. Sorenson

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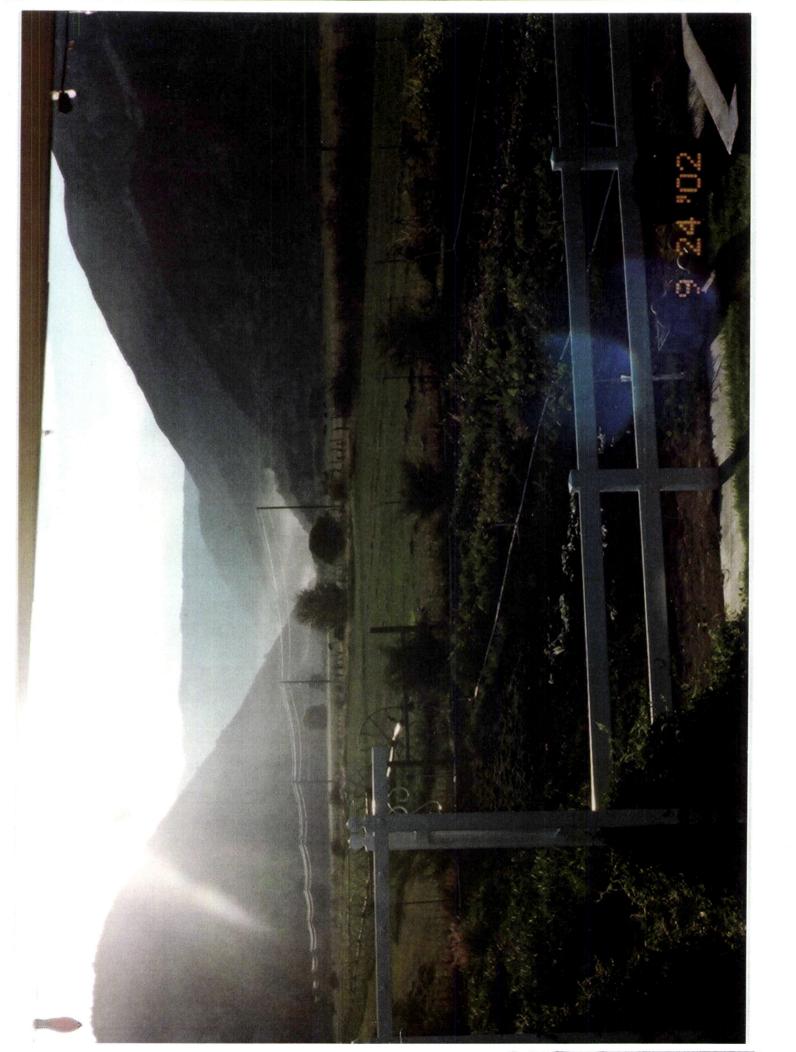
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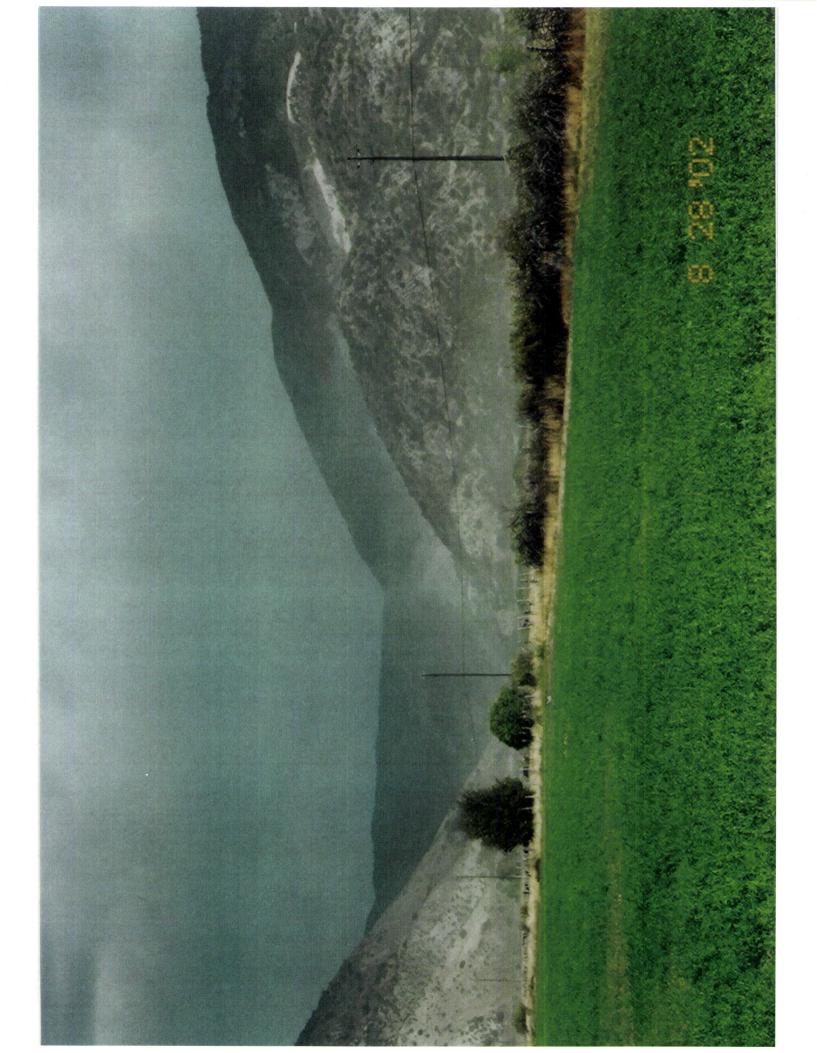
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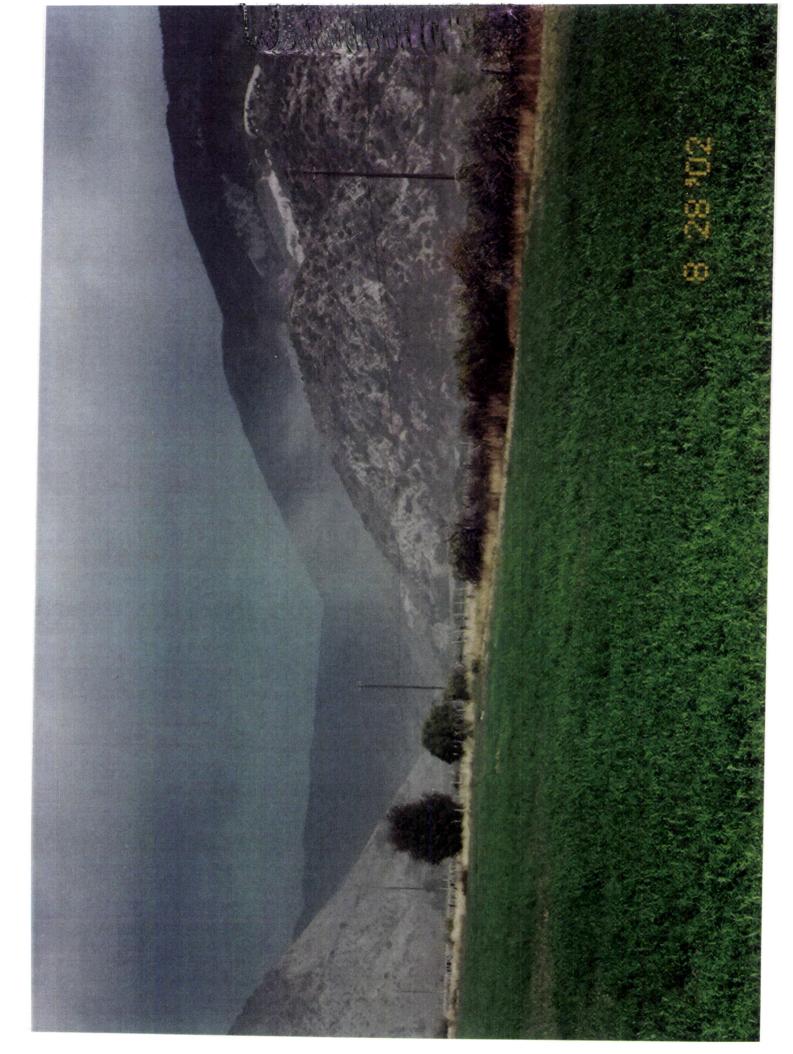
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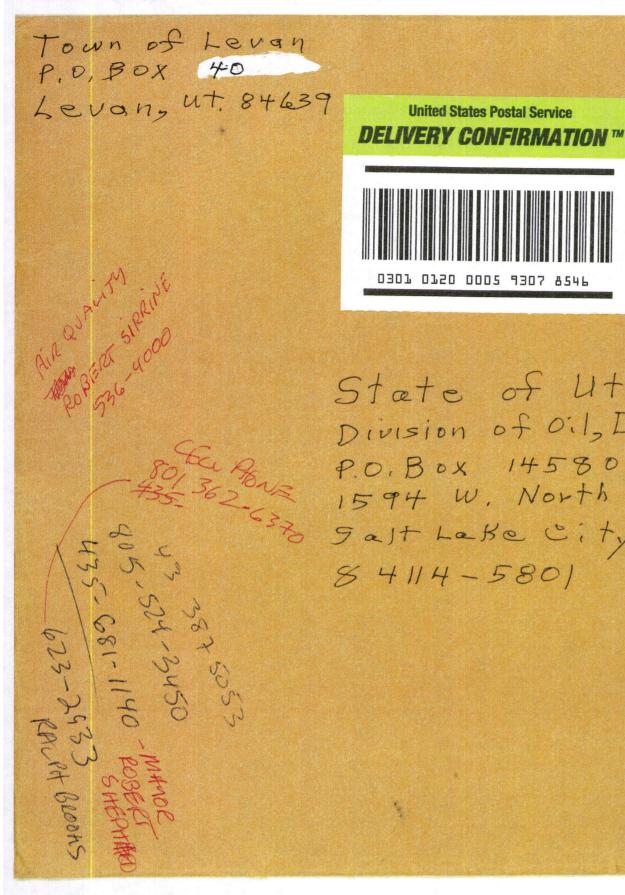














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